

## President's Message

**J**anuary brought the passing of one of our members, Jane Gaither, wife of Henry, Sr. and mother of Henry, Jr., Catherine and David. Also, Jim and Barbara Ivey lost their son, James Randall Ivey. Our sincere sympathy is extended to these families.

The February meeting will be held at the K & W Cafeteria on February 9. Please go through the serving line and then proceed to the private dining room in the back of the facility. Plan to be in the room by 6:00 pm. Rick Holmes, VP, and John Cox are planning a special program. Please be sure to leave a tip for the server who will be taking care of the room for us.

We have the registration flyers for our May Car Show. Be sure to take some with you to any car events that you are attending to pass out. We have been approved by the City of Burlington for some additional parking space to park cars, so we want to bring in additional cars.

Also, sponsors are our lifeblood to our show and their donations help us to give our Automotive Scholarship at Alamance Community College, as well as maintain our clubhouse. In the past just a few families have been responsible for bringing in the majority of sponsors

but each of us needs to do our part. When doing business around town, be sure to ask if they would like to become a sponsor. Jeannie will have sponsor forms at the February meeting.

I am waiting on a date to tour to Alamance Community College and visit the Automotive Technology area. This gives us a chance to interact with the students and also tour their new facility. If weather permits, please drive your old car. Hopefully, we will be able to get lunch together either before or after the tour. Watch your email for more information.

Also, on March 21, there will be a car show at Holly Hill Mall for the Rotary Reads program. We will share more details when they are received.

*Elizabeth Coble*

## January 2020 Treasurer's Report

**O**ur club now has 35 paid members, counting couples as a single member. There are still 3 members from last year who have not renewed their membership. I will contact them to see if they want to remain in the club. Our tax return has been filed for 2019 and the financial documents for last year will be turned over to the audit committee soon.

*Jeannie Johnson*

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## Next Weak Spark Deadline

Jan Issue 1/25/20

## Next Club Meeting

February 9, 2020 at 6:00pm  
K&W Cafeteria, Burlington, NC

## Hosts

K&W Cafeteria

## Please Volunteer to Host a Meeting!

See the sign-up sheet to volunteer to host a meeting!



## Minutes of the January 2020 Meeting

The Alamance Region Car Club met Saturday evening January 10th at the Clubhouse. Attending were 29 members and no guests. President Elizabeth thanked the hosts for the meeting Floyd and Elsie Smith and Tal and Jeannie Johnson.

It was announced that Mrs. Jane Gaiter was very sick and is at the Alamance/Caswell Hospice Home.

The Alamance Region makes an annual contribution to the national AACA Organization at Hershey. It was voted the \$200 contribution this year would be split evenly between the AACA Library and the building fund for the new headquarters building being purchased.

Rick Holmes is planning to attend the North Carolina Region Annual Winter Meeting in Raleigh on January 18th and will carry a quantity of our May 16th Car Show brochures to be distributed to the attendees.

John Cox attended a Burlington City Council meeting the past month to get the required authorizations for the May 16th downtown car show. In view of last year's limited available parking space for show cars, John requested an additional parking area and received permission to use it

this year. President Elizabeth discussed the importance of sponsors for the show. She pointed out next year's (2021) show will be our club's 50th and we should be thinking ahead with plans to make the 50th show special.

A work day is needed for maintenance of the buildings and tentatively scheduled for either Saturday March 14th or 21st depending on weather. Details for the workday will be available later.

Some club members with an antique car don't have a car photo to display on the clubhouse wall. A day will be scheduled in the spring for those members to have their cars photographed.

The February 8th regular monthly meeting will be held in the conference room at the K&W Cafeteria as a treat for the ladies for Valentine's Day. Everyone who attends is requested to have gone through the serving line and be in the meeting room by 6:00 O'clock.

Vice President Rick showed a video describing two ways for applying interior wood-graining as it was done in factories for many of our 1920's and 1930's cars.

*Ray Fowler*





*Mom and dad with their award-winning 1990 Mustang convertible at the 50th Anniversary of the Mustang*

**B**efore I begin I want to say a special thank you to my Alamance Region AACA family for all the prayers, cards, thoughts, and visits to my Mom in Hospice and being at her service. You cannot know how special you all are to myself and my family. Though this has been a very hard time for us, the fact that you truly cared keeps us going every day. My Mom is truly healed and now lives in our Father's House waiting on us to join her someday. Thanks again for all you did for us...we will be forever grateful.

Many of you did not know my Mom was a serious "Car Person." She was not like that all the time but when my Dad bought their 1990 7-Up Mustang at the 30th Anniversary of the Mustang in 1999, she became totally immersed in the car...like seriously immersed. I think it really began when Mom and Dad took the car to their first Mustang Show and they won...it was there she was bitten by the car show bug! Because the car was totally stock (they took off the original tires (but kept them) because they were so hard the ride shook your teeth out!), they showed it in that class. They bought the car from the original owner who happened to work at a Ford dealership. That owner kept every piece of paper associated with the car...build sheets, dealer order form, truck bill of lading form, new car sticker, Mustang 1990 brochure, key tags...you name it and they had that documentation. The other paperwork they had was the dealership's newspaper setup sheet for an ad promoting the 7-Up cars...an ad that never ran because the 7-Up promotion was cancelled.

Mom and Dad took the car to numerous Mustang Club of America National and Grand National shows from Florida

to Massachusetts and won at every show they entered. Mom and Dad took these shows and the competitions very seriously and each had defined jobs. Dad's job was the exterior and engine compartment while Mom had the interior. She had some special little brushes to get into every nook and cranny and you did not bother her when she was doing her job! After everything was beyond perfect, Mom of course became the car's social coordinator for the weekend. She made sure no one was left out of the conversation no matter where they were...the show field, in the hotel, or the awards banquet/ceremony.

Mom and Dad earned enough points to be awarded the Conservator Award from Mustang Club of America. Part of that award was a numbered grill emblem and a special place on the show field whenever they entered a MCA show. To say Mom and Dad were proud of that award is an understatement. It was the culmination of a lot of hard work and just like they were everywhere in life, a true team. I'm sure the car would have qualified for AACA's HPOF category had they shown it in an AACA national show.

Though I often could not go to the shows where they competed, but when I could it was so special to be together. Since I had my mustangs first it was very rewarding for me to see them be so successful right out of the box (that 90 was far superior in every way to any Mustang I have ever owned). The memories we made will never fade; some special memories made possible because of a special car and the two very special people who enjoyed it...together!

See you on the road!

*Henry Gaither, Jr.*

# Antique Auto Show

49th Annual  
Alamance  
Region

At the Historic Railroad Depot In Downtown Burlington  
200 South Main Street Burlington, NC 27215



Owner: Billy Mebane



**Saturday May 16, 2020**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Club or Region \_\_\_\_\_ AACA # \_\_\_\_\_ Will You Help Judge? \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Entry	Year	Make	Model	Class
1	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	_____

I agree to abide by all rules of the show and understand that I am responsible for my vehicle(s) and the actions of persons accompanying me to this activity. I agree to release from liability all tenants and/or businesses located on/and/or within the property known as The City of Burlington, Alamance Region Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA), and any employee, members and/or volunteers and any other person or persons connected with the aforementioned organizations from any loss, damage, and/or injuries incurred as a result of participation in this activity.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-registration by May 9, 2020: \$15.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Day of Show Registration: \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Flea Market Spaces: \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Car Corral Spaces (cars for sale): \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: 8:00 to 11am, Awards at 3pm, *Rain or shine.*

We encourage pre-registration. Participants can mail check with registration form or pre-register on the club website: [www.alamance.aaca.com](http://www.alamance.aaca.com)  
Pre-registration deadline is Friday, May 10, 2019.

Make checks payable to: Alamance Region, Inc., AACA  
Mail to: Elizabeth Coble, President  
PO Box 565, Mebane, NC 27302  
Phone: 336-263-4268

**\*All vehicles must be 25 years old (1995 or older) to be judged. Antique Vehicles will be judged per AACA criteria using AACA classifications. Antique Vehicles will receive a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place trophy in each class if they meet the AACA point requirements. Modified Vehicles will be judged on workmanship, quality, and condition. The Top 25 Non-AACA Vehicles will be awarded a trophy.**

**\*\*ALL Vehicles MUST have Fire Extinguishers!\*\***

**Mark Greeson, President**

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